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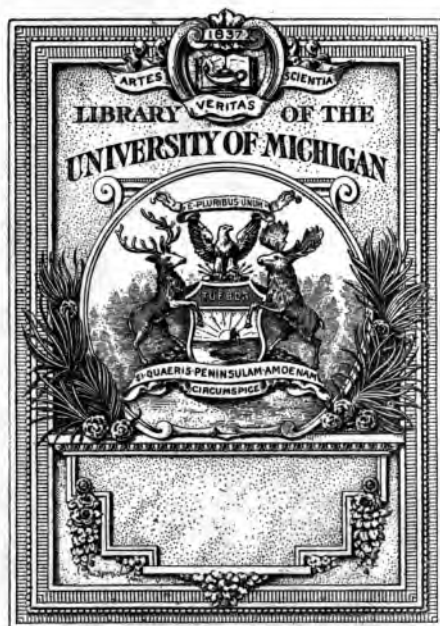
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BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION I. These By-Laws shall govern in all cases not provided for by the Constitution and General By-Laws of the Order.

ARTICLE II.

MEETINGS.

SECTION I. Meetings shall be either *stated* or *special*.

SEC. 2. *Stated* meetings shall be held on the first Thursday of each month at 8 o'clock p. m., except in the months of July, August and September, during which no meetings shall be held unless specially ordered.

SEC. 3. The annual meeting for the election of officers, and the regular business of the stated meeting for May, shall be held in the city of Detroit, Mich., on the first Thursday of May of each year, at 6 o'clock p. m. Other meetings, either stated or special, shall be held wherever and whenever ordered by the Commandery, but special meetings shall be for the transaction of such business only as shall be designated in the call therefor.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. All applicants for membership of the first or second class shall be made on the forms provided for the purpose, and forwarded to the Recorder to be presented at a stated meeting of the Commandery, and shall be accompanied by the admission fee of twenty-five dollars and dues for the current year.

SEC. 2. All members of the Commandery residing within the State of Michigan and the County of Essex, in Ontario, shall for the purpose be considered resident members; all others shall be deemed non-resident members.

ARTICLE IV.

FEES AND DUES.

SECTION 1. The admission fee to the Commandery shall be twenty-five dollars ~~and dues for the current year.~~

SEC. 2. The annual dues of members shall be ten dollars for resident and five dollars for non-resident members, payable in advance on the first of January of each year.

SEC. 3. ~~Members elected prior to June 1st shall pay ten dollars dues, and those elected after the stated meeting in June shall pay five dollars dues for the year of election.~~

SEC. 4. Resident members permanently removing from the State, and officers of the army or navy ordered to other stations outside this State, may, upon notification to the Recorder, be transferred to the roster of non-resident members.

ARTICLE V.

PERMANENT FUND.

SECTION 1. Additions may be made to the Permanent Fund, from time to time, as the Commandery may by vote at a stated meeting direct. All profits arising from its investment shall be added to this fund and become a part thereof.

SEC. 2. The Permanent Fund shall be invested by the Treasurer as the Council may direct, and no money shall be withdrawn from the Fund for any purpose except upon the written recommendation of at least three members of the Council, which recommendation shall be made in writing at a stated meeting of the Commandery, and shall lay upon the table until the next stated meeting of the Commandery, when, if it shall receive the vote of three-fourths of the Companions present at such meeting, the same shall be declared adopted.

ARTICLE VI.

BANQUETS AND LUNCHES.

SECTION 1. If ordered by the Commandery at a stated meeting on or preceding the stated meeting in April of any year, a banquet shall be held at the time of the Annual Meeting in May following. This banquet shall be under the direction and control of the Recorder, and the expenses attending it shall be paid from the General Fund of the Commandery.

SEC. 2 All other banquets or lunches shall be at the individual expense of those participating, unless otherwise ordered by the Commandery at a stated meeting.

SEC. 3 Companions may invite any member of any other Commandery to any entertainment. The member extending such invitation shall give the name of the invited guest to the Recorder, who shall thereupon issue an official invitation and record his action.

SEC. 4. No person who is not a member of the order shall be present at any entertainment given by the Commandery, except upon application by a Companion to the Recorder, and upon invitation signed by the Recorder by the authority of the Commander; and Companions obtaining such invitations shall be charged Five Dollars for annual or special banquets for each person invited, to be paid when application for invitation is made.

SEC. 5. No other non-members shall be present except a limited number of members of the press, and such persons as are necessary in connection with the entertainment.

ARTICLE VII.

DEATHS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of Companions, upon learning of the death of a member of this Commandery, to notify the Recorder. As soon as practicable the Commander shall appoint a committee of three

members to prepare, and submit at a *stated* meeting, suitable resolutions relating to the life, character and services of the deceased, and expressive of the feelings of the Commandery.

Such resolutions as may be adopted shall be recorded, published as a circular "In Memoriam," and a copy thereof transmitted to the family of the deceased.

ARTICLE VIII.

THE RECORDER.

SECTION 1. The Recorder shall be paid such compensation as shall be fixed by the Commandery.

ARTICLE IX.

STATISTICAL PAPERS, BOOKS, ETC.

SECTION 1. The Commandery shall solicit the contribution of books, essays, sketches, papers, addresses, photographs, pictures, historical facts and reminiscences bearing upon matters connected with the War of the Rebellion, or on any other subject of interest to the order; and these shall, when received, become the property of the Commandery, and be preserved in its archives. But no such contribution shall be finally accepted and thus disposed of without the approval of at least three members of the Council.

ARTICLE X.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

At stated meetings the business shall be conducted in the following order :

1. Roll Call
2. Reading of the Minutes
3. Reports of the Officers
4. Financial Statement
5. Correspondence
6. New Members
7. Old Members
8. Resolutions
9. Other Business
10. Adjourn

1. The Commandery shall be called to order by the presiding officer.
2. The Chaplain shall pronounce the opening prayer.
3. The Recorder may call the roll of members.
4. The minutes of the last stated and all subsequent meetings shall be read and disposed of.
5. Companions-elect shall be installed,
6. The stated business of the meeting, if any, shall be considered.
7. Unfinished business shall be taken up.
8. Reports of officers and committees shall be heard.
9. Candidates for membership shall be ballotted for.
10. Applications for membership may be received.
11. Written communications shall be presented.
12. New business may be introduced.
13. Adjournment.

ARTICLE XI.

INSTALLATION OF MEMBERS.

You declare upon honor that you will maintain the Constitution of the Order and will conform to all its By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, and will use your best endeavors to promote its objects and advance its interests.

